Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph under the heading "CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" with the following rewritten paragraph:

This applications is a continuation of, and claims the benefit of, co-pending, commonly assigned US. Patent Application No. 09/384,865 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,735,633), entitled "SYSTEM FOR BANDWIDTH ALLOCATION IN COMPUTER NETWORK," filed on August 27, 1999, by Welch, et al., which is a non-provisional of and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/137,160 filed on June 1, 1999, each of which applications are incorporated herein in their entirety for all purposes.

This application is related to U.S. Patent Application entitled "PERFORMING MULTICAST COMMUNICATION IN COMPUTER NETWORKS BY USING OVERLAY ROUTING filed June 1, 1999 serial number 09/323,869 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,611,872), and to U.S. Provisional Application "SYSTEM FOR MULTIPOINT INFRASTRUCTURE TRANSPORT IN A COMPUTER NETWORK" filed June 1, 1999 as serial number 60/137,153. Each of these applications are hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth in full in this document.